

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2015

RE: S.R. No. 9

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and
Military Affairs and Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.R. No. 9 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT
TO ESTABLISH A FAMILY VIOLENCE UNIT STAFFED WITH OFFICERS
SPECIFICALLY TRAINED TO HANDLE ALL COMPLAINTS OF FAMILY
VIOLENCE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request that the
Honolulu Police Department establish a family violence unit
staffed with officers specifically trained to handle all
complaints of family violence.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure
from two individuals. Your Committees received testimony in
opposition to this measure from the Police Department of the City
and County of Honolulu.

Your Committees find that domestic violence is one of the
most underreported crimes, as victims often fear retaliation,
consider an incident a private matter, or believe that the police
are unable to do anything about an incident. Several police
departments throughout the nation and elsewhere in the world have
set up specific divisions to handle domestic violence cases.
Establishing a family violence unit within the Honolulu Police
Department will help reduce violence, ensure compassionate
assistance to victims, and enable more effective prosecution of
abusers.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 9 and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs and Judiciary and
Labor,


GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair


WILL ESPERO, Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:* 8R9	Committee Referral: PSM/JDL	Date: 3-18-2015		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				✓
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	4	—	—	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (C)	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
GABBARD, Mike				✓
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>				
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